**HIS 122: United States History from Reconstruction to the Present** Fall, 2015

**Student Information Sheet**

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I will only attempt to contact you via phone at your request or out of concern due to missing class or missing assignments. Please let me know when it will be best to contact you, or alternately, if there are times when you do not wish to be called.

***What are your personal goals in taking this course?***

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***What makes you unique as a learner at this stage of your life? What do I need to know about you to better understand you as a learner? What obstacles might you encounter?***

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| **FIND SOMEONE IN CLASS WHO -** | **THE ANSWER:** | **STUDENT WHO KNEW THE ANSWER:** |
| Has been to the ***Monocacy National Battlesite*** and can locate it. Or, identify the nearest Revolutionary or Civil War battle to the Portsmouth Campus. |  |  |
| Can identify the ***First Lady*** in ***House of Cards*.** |  |  |
| Can identify three (3) colleges in Virginia which are named for ***non-Presidents*** or, alternately, ***founded by slaveowners***. |  |  |
| Can name the victims in any of the police involved shootings which caused the ***“Black Lives Matter”*** movement to emerge over the past two years. |  |  |
| Can name any of the men who recently received the ***Legion d’Honneur*** after they disarmed a suspected terrorist in France. |  |  |
| Who’s in first place in the NL East? |  |  |
| Can name ***the church in Charleston, SC*** where nine members were murdered by a white supremacist this summer. |  |  |
| Can identify the ***former President*** who was recently diagnosed with cancer. |  |  |
| **FIND SOMEONE IN CLASS WHO -** | **THE ANSWER:** | **STUDENT WHO KNEW THE ANSWER:** |
| Has ***served in the United States military*** or has a loved one that did, and find out where they served. | Where did they serve, or where are they currently deployed? |  |
| Is attending a ***history class*** for the first time in years… | How long has it been? |  |
| Has a ***full-time job*** which they are holding down while taking classes here at TCC. | Where do they work? |  |
| Went to a public school outside the state of Virginia, and has less knowledge of our ***local history*** than they would like. Find out where they lived and what the most important historical narrative was where they were. | Local historical narrative: |  |
| The most famous or powerful person anyone in the room as ***personally met***. | Who did they meet? Is there a good story? |  |
| Can identify ***Virginia’s senators***. |  |  |
| Knows who created a ***vaccine for polio***. |  |  |
| Can identify the leaders in the ***Republican Presidential primaries in 2007 or 2011***. |  |  |

**THE RECONSTRUCTION**. Of course, the Reconstruction Period following the American Civil War is not the only example of a major post war project in American History. Some have been exceedingly successful. The reconstruction of Japan and Germany after World War II are considered major successes. Two fascist, militaristic, and aggressive nations were transformed into democratic, capitalistic, non-combatant nations that have made important contributions to the world community. The Reconstruction of the South, however, was decidedly unsuccessful. Today, we face reconstruction projects of our own in both Iraq and Afghanistan. Syria, Cuba, and Yemen may soon follow. What lessons are there to be learned from past reconstructions which may apply to the present day situations?

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